



NATURE KIT LOANING PROGRAM

OVERVIEW:

Boothbay Region Land Trust is proud to offer a nature kit loaning program at no charge to educators on the Boothbay peninsula. Each hands-on educational kit contains activities and equipment to cover a nature topic and are adaptable for use with students in grades K-12.

DETAILS:

- * Kits are loaned free of charge for a one-week period. Kit must be picked up and dropped off at BRLT's Oak Point Farm (60 Samoset Road Boothbay Harbor)
- * Available to schools, non-profits, and organized groups that work with youth
- * Adaptable for grades K-12
- * Designed for up to 20 students
- * Current kit topics include trees, birds, mammals, and schoolyard ecology
- * Some kits require common materials to be provided by the person or school borrowing the kit, such as pencils and paper. This is noted in the inventory list for the kit.
- * Contact Environmental Educator Tracey Hall to borrow a kit at thall@bbrlt.org or 633-4818.

KIT DESCRIPTIONS:

Mammals: Learn about Maine's common mammals and their adaptations through games and activities. Investigate mammal characteristics through pelt, track, and scat replicas. Compare their diets and learn about omnivores, herbivores, and carnivores.

Birds: Encounter the wide world of birds in this nature kit. Grab a pair of binoculars and take a bird hike. Learn about common birds and their songs. Investigate how bird beaks are adapted to their food sources. Look at nest examples and build your own.

Trees: Discover the traits of trees in this nature kit. Work as a team to build a tree, don a blindfold and meet a tree, create a mini journal and adopt a tree, and compare different tree species through leaves, bark and seeds.

Schoolyard Ecology: Investigate nature right outside the school doors. Build a food web, play predator prey games, and more. This kit has all the magnifying glasses, nets, and collection containers you need to discover and compare ecosystems including fields, forests, and waterways. A varied collection of field guides allows for species identification and further research.